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Madison, Wisconsin -- Erik C. Peterson, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that Jeremie M. Billen, 24, of Kenosha, Wisconsin, was sentenced today by U.S. District Judge Barbara B. Crabb to 26 months in federal prison for unlawful possession of a weapon by a felon. Billen pleaded guilty to this charge on February 8, 2007.

In February 2006, while on felony probation in Wisconsin, Billen possessed a stolen .22 caliber firearm while living in Adams County, Wisconsin.

The charges against Billen were the result of an investigation conducted by the Adams County Sheriff's Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. The prosecution of the case has been handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney David J. Reinhard.

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